

old age
SCHWABE
July 15, 1946.

Mr. George H. Holmes, Representative
Universal Trade Press
425 SW Columbia Street
Portland 1, Oregon

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 11th instant and appreciate very much the complimentary things you have said about my insertions in the Congressional Record.

I also note your interest in the Townsend Bill, H. R. 2229. I am not a member of the Committee on Ways and Means and do not have firsthand information as to their plans and what may be expected of that Committee with reference to any action which it may take on this bill during the present session of Congress. However, my opinion is that little or nothing will be done at this session. It is thought that perhaps there may be a little advance in the amount the Federal Government will contribute. I hope so. However, the great trouble today is that these political snoopers, which they call case workers and investigators, political hangers-on, are getting a lot of money that should go to the older people. I have always maintained that there should be only two qualifications necessary for one to receive an old-age pension. First, he or she should be required to be a citizen of the United States. Second, they must have attained the required age. Then you won't need any snoopers. But this will cut off the political backers of a lot of our public office seekers and office holders and that would never do, according to the New Dealirium.

I wish I could give you more definite information but I simply cannot at this time. You may rest assured that I am ready, willing and anxious to do my part and shall do so at the first opportunity.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M.C.

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Portland,Ore.July 11th, 1946

Hon.George B.Schwabe
Representaive Oklahoma,
House Office Bldg.
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Dear Mr.Schwabe:

We have recently been permitted to have copies of the numerous wonderful articles which you have had printed in the Congressional Record, and they are well-worthing passing on to others of the Americans, in order that they may know that they have at least a few champions for American liberty in Congress. So many of those sent there spent most of their time and efforts on promoting some foreign country,that ours suffers.

In this connection, will you kindly advise me at as early date as possible, what prospect there is of having the Townsend Bill H.R.2229 brought out and discussed on the floor of Congress. This for the reason that we have some 46,000 of our elders in this state who are trying with many of them infirm and no earning or purchasing power to exist on \$24 average pension per month.

The Townsend Lobby and the head of Ways & Means Doughton have issued so many promises and statements,without any real action, that our elders are getting tired of trying to get the true word of what goes on there in their behal^f. We no longer have any faith in the half-baked promises of representatives from Oregon, whose sole desire seems to be to perpetuate themselves in office.

Thanking you for your reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

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Please give date when Congress Vacations ?
Or 1/1/47